



## THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO MANAGER'S REPORT

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ATTENTION: Rules Committee  
Agenda of July 24, 2000

SUBJECT: STATE PARK BOND PER CAPITA AND ROBERTI-Z'BERG-HARRIS  
PER CAPITA FUNDING

### REFERENCES:

### SUMMARY

Issues - Shall the City Council approve the proposed list of park projects for funding through the State Park Bond Per Capita and Roberti-Z'berg-Harris Per Capita funding?

Manager's Recommendations - Approve the list of projects.

Other Recommendations - None.

Fiscal Impact - Depending upon the number and/or type of projects funded, potential non-reimbursable staff costs are possible.

### BACKGROUND

In March, 2000, California voters approved the "Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air and Coastal Protection Act of 2000" (Park Bond). This is the first state Park Bond to be approved by California voters in twelve years. The Park Bond includes three areas of funding available to the City of San Diego for various park and recreational needs.

#### Per Capita and Roberti-Z'berg-Harris Per Capita

The Per Capita and Roberti-Z'berg-Harris Per Capita Park Bond funding will be available to California cities and counties based on State Department of Finance population figures as of January 1, 2000. The City of San Diego's allocation will be approximately \$14.4 million. After the State's administrative costs of 5.35%, the City will receive approximately \$13.2 million for park projects.

### Competitive Grant Programs

The City also will be able to compete for grant funds allocated by the Park Bond for general project areas such as: coastal access, coastal erosion, trail restoration, wetland restoration and other general park related projects. More information will be available about the competitive grant programs in the next several months. Staff will work with community groups and Council offices to identify eligible projects and individual project applications will come forward to City Council at a later date.

### Multiple Species Conservation Program (MSCP)

The Park Bond specifically identifies \$150 million for projects within State of California Natural Community Conservation Planning (NCCP) Program plans approved before January 1, 1999. The City's MSCP is one of four approved plans statewide. In April, 2000 the MSCP Division of the Neighborhood Services Planning and Development Department presented the Rules Committee with information about the plan to seek \$65 million in Park Bond funds for various MSCP acquisition projects.

## DISCUSSION

This action requests approval of the attached project list for funding through the Per Capita and Roberti-Z'berg-Harris Per Capita Park Bond allocations. The projects recommended meet the specific funding criteria under the Park Bond.

- Per Capita funds can be used for "acquisition, development, improvement, rehabilitation, restoration, enhancement and interpretation of local park and recreational lands and facilities, including renovation of recreational facilities conveyed to local agencies resulting from the downsizing or decommissioning of federal military installations".
- Roberti-Z'berg-Harris Per Capita funds can be used for "acquisition, development / rehabilitation, historic preservation, special major maintenance or innovative recreation program". The Roberti-Z'berg-Harris Per Capita funds require a local match of cash or in-kind contributions.

In preparing the recommended project list, staff worked with City Council staff; staff from the Park and Recreation Department, the Engineering & Capital Improvements Department and the Real Estate Assets Department; and the recently updated 20-years-needs list from each Area Committee of the Park and Recreation Board. In addition to the Park Bond criteria, staff considered several factors when recommending projects for funding:

- ✓ Current state guidelines only allow up to 20% of grant funds for non-construction project costs, thus projects with existing identified funding are given priority.
- ✓ Projects with complete design plans are given priority in order to comply with state contract deadlines for project completion.
- ✓ Acquisition of park land is a high priority, therefore parcels with willing sellers are recommended for purchase, especially in park deficient areas.
- ✓ To maximize the use of public land, joint-use fields on school sites are recommended in park deficient areas.

- ✓ Deferred maintenance projects are recommended for funding based on a prioritized need list as identified by the Real Estate Assets Department.
- ✓ Playground equipment replacement is recommended in each Council District. Under new State and Federal safety guidelines, the City will be required to remove play equipment deemed unsafe and the City currently does not have adequate funding available to replace the equipment. Recommended dollar amounts for each Council District are based on a preliminary assessment of need.

In order to maximize the City's receipt of funds within the Park Bond, projects that are considered to be highly competitive for other Park Bond grant programs were not necessarily recommended for Per Capita funding and will be considered when the competitive grant portion of the Park Bond is opened.

The California Department of Parks and Recreation (State Parks) will administer the Park Bond Per Capita Program funding. At this time, State Parks expects to release funds on a reimbursement basis. Reimbursable grant funds are paid only upon completion of a project. The City is required to front the money to complete projects and be reimbursed by the state. It should be noted that State Parks is considering an option to advance a portion of the grant funds with the final amount payable to the grantee upon completion of a project.

#### ALTERNATIVES

1. Revise the list of projects for funding through the State Park Bond Per Capita and Roberti-Z'berg-Harris Per Capita.
2. Do not approve the list of projects for funding through the State Park Bond Per Capita and Roberti-Z'berg-Harris Per Capita.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment: Projects Proposed for Park Bond Per Capita and Roberti-Z'berg-Harris (Roberti-Z'berg-Harris) Per Capita Funding

**PROJECTS PROPOSED FOR PARK BOND  
PER CAPITA AND ROBERTI-Z'BERG-HARRIS PER CAPITA FUNDING  
July 10, 2000**

***Council District 1***

\$375,000	Design and construct a comfort station in University Gardens Park
<u>\$330,000</u>	Upgrade playground equipment at various sites
<b>\$705,000</b>	<b><i>Total Cost Council District 1</i></b>

***Council District 2***

\$300,000	Construct joint-use turf field at Pacific Beach Elementary School
\$280,000	Improvements at Point Loma Park
\$280,000	Upgrade playground equipment at various sites
<u>\$ 80,000</u>	Replace roof at Presidio Park Serra Museum
<b>\$940,000</b>	<b><i>Total Cost Council District 2</i></b>

***Council District 3***

\$1,000,000	Electrical upgrade at Balboa Park/Organ Pavilion
\$1,385,000	Acquire parkland in Mid City area [site(s) to be determined]
\$ 620,000	Upgrade playground equipment at various sites
<u>\$ 380,000</u>	Replace roofs at Adams Recreation Center, Balboa Park Aerospace Museum, Balboa Park Spanish Village (all), and Balboa Park Timkin Art Gallery
<b>\$3,385,000</b>	<b><i>Total Cost Council District 3</i></b>

***Council District 4***

\$ 760,000	Phase II of recreation center construction at Mt. View Community Park
\$ 440,000	Construct new senior center at Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Park
\$ 300,000	Construct Phase II of North Chollas Community Park
\$ 640,000	Upgrade playground equipment at various sites
<u>\$ 70,000</u>	Replace roofs at Kennedy Park comfort station, Willie Henderson Recreation Center, and Penn Athletic Field Recreation Center
<b>\$2,210,000</b>	<b><i>Total Cost Council District 4</i></b>

***Council District 5***

\$ 260,000	Upgrades to various recreation centers [site(s) to be determined]
\$ 150,000	Install security lights at Linda Vista Community Park
\$ 300,000	Design and install ballfield lighting at Rancho Bernardo Community Park
\$ 400,000	Upgrade playground equipment at various sites
<u>\$ 60,000</u>	Replace flooring, Heat/AC at Kearny Mesa Community Park Pool
<b>\$1,170,000</b>	<b><i>Total Cost Council District 5</i></b>

***Council District 6***

\$ 75,000	Improve ballfield at East Clairemont Athletic Area
\$ 155,000	Improvements at Tecolote Nature Center
\$ 100,000	Upgrade tot lot at North Clairemont Neighborhood Park
\$ 90,000	Replace filter at South Clairemont Community Park Pool
\$ 350,000	Upgrade two tot lots for ADA access at Serra Mesa Community Park
\$ 100,000	Upgrade tot lot at Lindburgh Neighborhood Park
\$ 155,000	Upgrade playground equipment at various sites
<u>\$ 90,000</u>	Replace roof at South Clairemont Recreation Center
<b><u>\$1,115,000</u></b>	<b><i>Total Cost Council District 6</i></b>

***Council District 7***

\$ 95,000	Turf joint-use field (Phase II) at Hearst Elementary School
\$ 150,000	Turf joint-use field at Kumeyaay Elementary School
\$ 240,000	Turf joint-use field at Pershing Middle School
\$ 150,000	Turf joint-use field at Vista Grande Elementary School
<u>\$ 570,000</u>	Upgrade playground equipment at various sites
<b><u>\$1,205,000</u></b>	<b><i>Total Cost Council District 7</i></b>

***Council District 8***

\$1,750,000	Acquire property adjacent to Beyer Neighborhood Park
\$ 130,000	Replace filter at Memorial Community Park Pool
\$ 600,000	Upgrade playground equipment at various sites
<u>\$ 30,000</u>	Replace roof at Stockton Recreation Center
<b><u>\$2,510,000</u></b>	<b><i>Total Cost Council District 8</i></b>

***CITYWIDE TOTAL    \$13,240,000***

**DEFERRED MAINTENANCE**      **\$930,000**      **Citywide Recommendation** (7% of Citywide Total)

Deferred maintenance is an eligible expense for the Per Capita funding. Maintenance priorities are per Real Estate Assets Department. Pool filter replacements minimize swimming pool closures. Roofing cost estimates do not include asbestos removal, which may be required at some sites. Large buildings or complicated roofs, such as museums in Balboa Park, have significantly higher cost.

**PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT UPGRADE**      **\$3,595,000**      **Citywide Recommendation** (27% of Citywide Total)

Various amounts recommended for each Council District based on preliminary assessment of need. Sites will be determined based on new State and Federal playground safety guidelines. Site inspections are required to be completed by October 1, 2000.

**ACQUISITION**      **\$3,135,000**      **Citywide Recommendation** (24% of Citywide Totals)

Acquisition is the top priority for areas that are park land deficient per the population estimates to 2020. Recommended projects must have willing sellers.